

Thomas Pinckney to Andrew Jackson, April 22, 1814, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

THOMAS PINCKNEY TO JACKSON.

Camp, Confluence of the Coosa and Talipoosa April 22, 1814.

Sir , Your Letter of yesterday is received. The instructions referred to in the order of that date will relate to securing the conquests you have made, and the future protection of our fellow Citizens: for this purpose it is necessary under present circumstances that a chain of Posts should connect the States of Tennessee and Georgia with this Station, where the united chain must be continued down the Alabama to Mobile; to you *Sir*, will be allotted the charge of providing for that part of the chain which connects the State of Tennessee with Fort Jackson. The Posts already established or any others which you may think necessary for this purpose, should be put in a good state of defence, be well supplied with ammunition and provision and garrisoned with such of your Troops as have the longest time to serve: and as soon as you shall have dispersed any bodies of the Enemy who may have assembled on the Kahaba, or at any other place within striking distance, you will please to discharge the remainder of your Troops, assuring them of the high sense I entertain of their military merit, and of my best wishes that they may long enjoy the gratitude of that Country they have so well served.

To yourself *Sir*, I can offer no better wish than a continuance of occasions, which you so well know how to improve, of rendering eminent services to our Country; and I beg you to accept the assurance of my respect and personal esteem.

I have the honor to be very respectfully

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Sir Your Most Obedient Servant.

P. S. Col: Williams will in a short time proceed to Tennessee on the Recruiting Service.